

All Gardens Great & Small
by
York Co.
Horticultural Agent
Tom Becker



OUTSTANDING PERENNIALS IN 1997
Dr. Robert Berghage, Director of the Horticulture Trail Gardens at University Park, shared his best flower choices in the latest "Friends of the Garden" newsletter. In all, Dr. Berghage, his staff, and volunteers planted more than, 800 cultivars in the 1997 trial gardens. For a complete summary of the 1997 season, write to Horticulture Trail Gardens, 102 Tyson Building, University Park, PA. 16802. Enclose a check for \$10 made payable to Penn State University to cover printing and postage. Look for this information on a web page locate at <http://violet.cas.psu.edu/garden/index.html>.

Outstanding perennials in the garden in 1997 included *Echinacea* 'Magnus'. Designated as the 1998 perennial plant of the year, it overwinters well and shows first flowers

as early as late June. New flowers of this purple coneflower bloom well into September. The flowers show a brilliant pink color that attracts many butterflies like the monarch. Unfortunately, *Echinacea* 'Magnus' attracts Japanese beetles that damage the flower petals. With the flower color peaking in August, expect the flower color to fade into September.

The former perennial plant of the year, *Heuchera* 'Purple Palace' also overwinters well producing large bronze leaves. This distinct and attractive leaf trail for this coral bell compliments its white flowers. The peak bloom is in June.

Another good performer in 1997 was *Eryngium* 'Blaukappe'. Performing well for 2 years, the *eryngium* produces a thistle-like plant with silver-blue stems and flowers. Commonly called sea holly, *eryngium*

attract many insects including bees in July and August.

The bright orange flowers of the foxglove called *Digitalis* 'Apricot' looked especially good last June. A spring flowering perennial with 4 to 5 foot flower spikes, *digitalis* 'Apricot' may succumb to crown rot during extended cold, wet springs.

On the negative side, a poor performer in 1997 due to the lack of high temperatures included *Amaranthus*. *Amaranthus*, didn't live up to its namesake meaning 'not to wither.' Grown for its colorful foliage, *amarnathus* tricolor is commonly called Joseph's coat.

Other annuals that did not like the lack of heat included sunflowers and morning glory. Expect greatly delayed blooming during cool summers. Flowers enjoying the cool summer included *aquilegia*. It bloomed well beyond normal (into August). *Dianthus*, *snapdragon*, and even some *pansies* showed acceptable flowering in the summer.

Other good blooming perennials in 1997 included the *columbine* 'musik' series and the 'cameo' series, the ground-cover *Persicaria* 'Dimity' and *Penstemon* 'Ruby.' Lastly, another standout in the trials gardens was *Heuchera* 'Pewter Moon.' It's striking foliage on a compact plant produced a pink flower peaking in July. The leaves are red on the bottom and a mosaic of silver and green on

the upper surface.
Looking for a summary of outstanding flowery annuals from the trial garden in next weeks column.

Any questions regarding the above article can be addressed to Tom Becker, Penn State Cooperative Extension at (717) 840-7408.

New Names In The Dairy Case

KUTZTOWN (Berks Co.) - There are some new names appearing in your dairy case since January 1. Milk and dairy products, with the exception of yogurt, will be sporting new, easier to understand labels. The change will eliminate inconsistencies between "old" regulations and "new" regulations, such as those outlined in the Nutrition Labeling and Education Act of 1990. The ruling allows processors to use a

standardized name with a nutrient claim on fluid milk and cultured products, with the exception of yogurt. The new nomenclature will be more consumer friendly. It is important to remember that the regulation-affected dairy products themselves remain the same. There is no change in quality or composition.

A partial listing of the changes effected be the ruling follows:

"Old" Name	"New" Name
Skim Milk	Fat Free, Skim, or Nonfat
1% Lowfat Milk	Lowfat Milk
1 1/2% Lowfat Milk	Light Milk
2% Lowfat Milk	Reduced Fat Milk
Sour Half and Half	Reduced Fat Sour Cream

got milk?

LONG-DISTANCE PHONE SERVICE
ONLY 7.9 cents a minute
for sales agent's interstate calls to anywhere within USA anytime

- NO Access Codes
- NO Monthly Fees
- NO Minimum Usage
- NO Term Contract
- For Business & Residence use
- 6 sec. Increment Billing after 1st min.
- Account Codes with individual billing for community phones

FREE Cellular Phone **FREE Airtime**
NO prepayment, NO term contract, NO security deposit
NO credit check, NO monthly bill. Only \$309 Application fee.

Pre-Paid Phone Cards only 15.9 c/min. NO surcharge
Send \$2 for a blank card and charge it up with your credit card or send \$2 plus either \$10, \$25, \$50 or \$75 for a block of time.
Te-Com Phone Service 539 Hilltop Rd. Myerstown, Pa 17067
For more information call 717-866-6520 or 800-779-7729

Part time or full time sales people wanted.
Inquire about the \$50,000 annual income plan
Customers cut your bill to zero with our referral plan

UNCLAIMED FREIGHT CO. AND LIQUIDATION SALES INC.

RECLINER



Reg. Ret. \$329.95
OUR CASH PRICE \$129.95

WITH COUPON \$89.88

SOFA & LOVE SEAT CLOSEOUT



Reg. Ret. \$2100
CASH PRICE \$595.95

CHILD'S RECLINER

Great Christmas Gift!!
Regular Retail \$159.95
OUR CASH PRICE \$59.95
OUR SPECIAL PRICE \$54.95



TWIN/DOUBLE FUTON BUNK BED

Trailer Load • Dealer Refusal with 8' Futon Mattress

Reg. Ret. \$899.95
Reg. Low Price \$329.95
SPECIAL SALE PRICE \$279.95



4 DRAWER CHEST

Pine Finish and Brass Hardware
Reg. Ret. \$149.95
OUR CASH PRICE \$69.95

WITH COUPON \$39.04



SOFA LOVESEAT CLOSEOUT

We've Extended This Christmas Special!!!
Reg. Retail \$2,499.95 Our Cash Price \$699.95
SPECIAL CLOSEOUT \$649.88

Hurry! This Beautiful Sofa and Loveseat will not last!



CLAIM YOUR BARGAIN

BASSETT MATTRESS & BOX SPRING

This is the top of the line bedding and one of the best deals that we ever made! These are all overruns, cancellations and close out fabric. This is one heck of a price on bedding complete with a warranty of one full year replacement at no charge.

	Reg. Ret.	OUR CASH PRICE	SPECIAL
Single	\$799.95	\$599.95	\$129.95
Double	\$1,299.95	\$899.95	\$159.95
Queen	\$1,899.95	\$1,099.95	\$219.95
King	\$2,499.95	\$1,499.95	\$279.95

SERTA MATTRESS & BOX SPRING

	OUR CASH PRICE
QUEEN - REG. RET. \$1,299.95	\$149.95
DOUBLE - REG. RET. \$1,099.95	\$189.95
QUEEN - REG. RET. \$1,599.95	\$249.95
KING - REG. RET. \$2,099.95	\$299.95

PRICES INCLUDE BOTH PIECES

BEDROOM CLOSEOUT

Arm., Dresser, Mirror, Nightstand, & Headboard. Get 2nd Nightstand FREE WHILE THEY LAST

Reg. Retail \$1699.95
ONLY \$369.04



Feel Great! Lose Weight!

I lost 52 lbs on NEW IMAGE PRODUCTS. Everyone I knew wanted to try the products so I became a distributor. I am a single Mom and really needed an extra income. My first check from the company was 07 and last months check was over \$5,000. The products have helped my diabetes, depression, arthritis, migraine headaches, varicose veins, high blood pressure, cholesterol, fibromyalgia, high triglycerides, also my twin boys with bronchitis, asthma and A D D. Nill does not make any health claims this is strictly personal testimonies of product users **Joy Morris**

All Herbs Plus One Mineral!

The ingredients are all safe and natural: Gum Karaya, American Desert Herb, Guarana, Korean Ginseng, Bee Pollen, White Yellow Bark (Wiedewinds), Bladder-wrack (Fungus Vesticulosis), Gotu Koia, Licence Root, Relshi Mushroom, Astragalus, Ginger Root, Rehmannia Root, and Chromium Piconate (300 Micrograms per 3 tablets taken once a day)

JUST 3 TABLETS AT BREAKFAST

NEW HIGH ENERGY SOURCE

New Image - Plus
\$29.95 One Month's Supply

Works great on weight loss, cholesterol, high & low blood pressure, arthritis pain, sugar problems, varicose veins, and many, many more!
No drugs, chemicals or preservatives!

Your Independent Distributor is:
Gerald & Margie Jones
75 Goodyear Rd.
Carlisle, PA 17013
717-776-7806
Toll Free - 888-788-5572
To Order Call or Write
DISTRIBUTORS WANTED

FREE SHIPPING NO TAX

